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Patent Attorney's Docket No. <u>000515-236</u>

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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

## **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of <u>Anna HEDÉN</u>, <u>Robert KLING and Monica FORGAR</u> for <u>MECHANICAL TAPE FASTENING SYSTEM FOR DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLES</u>.

[]	Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application <b>NOT BE PUBLISHED</b> under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.					
[]	Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure _ for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.					
Also enclosed are:						
[X]	<u>Four</u> sheet(s) of [X] formal [ ] informal drawing(s);					
[]	a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is [ ] hereby made to _ filed in _ on _;					
	[ ] in the declaration;					
[]	a certified copy of the priority document;					
[]	a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;					
[X]	an Assignment document;					
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[]	a patent application data sheet; and					
[]	Other:					
[X]	An [X] executed [ ] unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)					
	[X] also is enclosed [ ] will follow.					
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.					
[X]	Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:					
-	-This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/262,657 entitled MECHANICAL TAPE FASTENING SYSTEM FOR DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLES and filed on 22 January 2000, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.					

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[X] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [X] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

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	No. Of CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					
Total Claims	13	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (103) =	
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$84.00 (102) =	
If multiple dependent cla	ims are prese	ented, add \$280.00	(104)		
Total Application Fee					
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This application is being filed without a filing fee.	Issuance of a Notice to File Missing
Parts of Application is respectfully requested.	

- [X] A check in the amount of \$780.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
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